

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

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Sent via email to: john@greenewald.com

Mr. John Greenewald 27305 W. Live Oak Road Suite #1203 Castaic, CA 91384

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is in reference to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)/Privacy Act (PA) request dated July 9, 2019. Your request was received in our office on the same day and assigned case number DON-NAVY-2019-008882.

In the course of processing your FOIA request this office contacted the Deputy CNO for Information Warfare / Director of Naval Intelligence (N2/N6). Accordingly, that office searched their files for records relating to It has been determined that any records pertaining to "The "background paper" submitted to "...Jason on JWICS" as referenced in a April 24, 2019 email sent from B. Lynn Wright SES DCNO N2N6." N2/N6 has determined that any responsive records are exempt from disclosure pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(1) as the information requested is currently and property classified in accordance with Executive Order 13526, Section 1.4 (a) as the information pertains to information involving military plans, weapons systems, or operations. While portions of the responsive documents are not exempt, these portions are an essentially meaningless set of words and phrases and not reasonably segregable from the exemption information. Therefore, the responsive documents are withheld in their entirety.

Because your request is partially denied, you are advised of your right to appeal this determination by writing to:

Office of the Judge Advocate General 1322 Patterson Ave SE Ste 3000 Washington Navy Yard, DC 20374-5066

Your appeal must be postmarked within ninety calendar days from the date of this letter. A copy of your initial request and this letter must accompany the appeal. The appeal should be marked "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL" both on the envelope and the face of the letter. In order to expedite the appellate process and ensure full consideration of your appeal, your appeal should contain a brief statement of the reasons you believe this decision to be in error.

In this instance, the fees associated with the processing of your request are waived, but this action is not indicative of how future requests will be handled.

For this determination, you have the right to seek dispute resolution services from either the DoD Navy Component FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Chris Julka, at: Christopher.a.julka@navy.mil, via phone: (703) 697-0031; or by

contacting the Office of Government Information Services at: (https://ogis.archives.gov/), (202) 741-5770, ogis@nara.gov.

Questions regarding the action this office has taken to process your request may be directed to our FOIA Service Center at (202) 685-0412 or via email at donfoia-pa@navy.mil.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director,

DON FOIA/PA Program Office